How long am I eligible?

Your FIA specialist reviews your TMA-Plus eligibility every 12 months.

Who can I contact if I have questions?

If you have questions about your eligibility, call your FIA specialist. If you have questions about your premiums, call 1-800-642-3195.

What if I think an action was wrong?

If at any time during the TMA-Plus process you feel an action was wrong:

Talk with your FIA specialist or his or her manager if the action is about your TMA-Plus eligibility; or call the Department of Community Health at 1-800-642-3195 if the action is about your TMA-Plus premium payment.

If you still feel the action was wrong, you may request a hearing. A hearing request must be filed within 90 days of notice of an action. A hearing request must be in writing and signed by you or another person you approve to sign for you.

Send your hearing request to your local FIA office or to the:

Department of Community Health Administrative Tribunal PO Box 30195 Lansing MI 48909-7695

Fraud

State and federal laws have penalties for a person found guilty of fraud. Misusing your Medicaid card, making false statements or failing to report changes is against the law. If evidence shows willful violation of law, law enforcement officials will investigate. Anyone who helps another person get medical coverage fraudulently is subject to the same penalties.

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TMA Plus



Extending your Health Care Coverage

When you have Medicaid and find a job, your health care coverage may be extended.
This is called Transitional Medical Assistance (TMA).

To extend this ongoing coverage the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) and the Family Independence Agency (FIA) have the TMA-Plus program.

You must apply and be approved for TMA-Plus before your TMA ends.

There are income limits for the TMA-Plus program.

There are also monthly payments called premiums.



What are the monthly income limits?

The year 2003 TMA-Plus monthly income limits are:

Family Size	Monthly Income Limits
2	\$ 1,869
3	2,353
4	2,837
5	3,321

How much are the monthly premiums?

The premiums are based on the number of people covered and how long they have been in the TMA-Plus program.

The TMA-Plus premiums increase every six months for two years. After two years there is no increase in your premiums.

The year 2003 monthly premiums are:

Months in TMA-Plus	Monthly Cost per Person
1st six months	\$ 50
2nd six months	55
3rd six months	83
4th six months	110

How do I apply for TMA-Plus?

About four months before your TMA eligibility ends, your FIA specialist will mail you an assistance application. You must send in all the information your FIA specialist asks for.

Does my health care coverage stay the same?

Yes. You also stay in the health plan you are in now. If you are not in a health plan, call MICHIGAN ENROLLS at 1-888-ENROLLS (1-888-367-6557) to learn more.

What happens next?

When your FIA specialist gets your assistance application and all the information asked for, he or she reviews them for:

- income limits and
- private health benefits.

Note: At least one child from the former TMA coverage must:

- be living with you
- be under the age of 18 or be under the age of 19 and expect to graduate from high school before his or her 20th birthday.

Your FIA specialist will mail you a letter offering TMA-Plus. The letter tells you the amount and due dates of your monthly premiums.

You must mail the monthly premiums to MDCH in the postage-paid envelope. If you fail to pay the premiums on time each month, you will lose your coverage.

TMA-Plus does not cover your children. Your FIA specialist will tell you about medical coverage for your children.

What is the mihealth card?

The mihealth card is your Medicaid ID card. You will receive this card when you first become eligible for Medicaid. Show this card and your health plan card to all providers before you receive services. Keep this card even if you are no longer eligible for TMA-Plus. You will need your mihealth card if you become eligible for Medicaid in the future.